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SUBJECT: DROUGHT ASSISTANCE

REFERENCE; PORT AU PRINCE (A) 1723; (B) 1640; (C) 1499

1. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEE FOR ASSISTANCE TO DISASTER-STRICKEN REGIONS (CARD) AND EVIDENT SPIRIT OF COOPERATION AMONG GOH, FOREIGN DONORS; AND VOLAGS ARE WELCOMED BY DEPARTMENT AND AID/W.

2. WE ARE CONCERNED BY THE CONTINUING LACK OF INFORMATION ON NUMBERS AND LOCATION OF SEVERELY AFFECTED POPULATION. ASSUME REQUIREMENTS MENTIONED REF (B) PARA 8 NOT YET AVAIL-ABLE.

3. DESCRIPTION OF DROUGHT/FOOD SUPPLY PROBLEM REF (A)
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INDICATES THAT TIME IS CRITICAL FACTOR IF POSSIBILITY OF WYDESPREAD STARVATION IS TO BE AVERTED. ON CONCURRENCE OF MISSION WE ARE PREPARED TO MAKE AVAILABLE ASAP AN ADDITION-AL FOOD FOR PEACE OFFICER AND AN OFDA REPRESENTATIVE OR LOGISTICS EXPERT TO ASSIST IN EXPEDITING RELIEF EFFORT IF REQUIRED. PLEASE ADVISE IMMEDIATE.

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4. AID/OFDA IS PREPARED TO FAVORABLY CONSIDER MISSION RECOMMENDATION FOR SEEDS AND OTHER COMMODITIES IN ADDITION TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, IF REQUIRED, UPON DECLARATION OF DISASTER BY AMBASSADOR. DELAY IN DECLARATION UNTIL GOH FULLY ORGANIZED TO COPE WITH PROBLEM COULD ELIMINATE LEAD TIME REQUIRED FOR PROCUREMENT/TRANSPORT/DISTRIBUTION OF CRITICAL FOOD SUPPLIES BY FFP.

5. TWO C-5AS ARE CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO PICK UP GENERATORS FROM PORT AU PRINCE WHEN NEED FOR GENERATORS HAS TERMINATED. URGE YOU CONSIDER WHAT MATERIAL PLANES COULD DELIVER TO PORT AU PRINCE ON INBOUND FLIGHT IF AND WHEN IT OCCURS. TOTAL CAPACITY 100 TONS. NO EXTRA COST WOULD BE CHARGED FOR THIS USE OF CARRYING CAPACITY. HANDLING COSTS COULD BE COVERED UNDER A DECLARATION OF DISASTER. SURFACE TRANSPORT GENERATORS UNDER REVIEW.

6. REQUEST YOU ALSO CABLE ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION RE SHIPPING IN REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN HAITI AND US GULF PORTS. ALSO ADVISE WHAT PORTS-OF-CALL ON NORTH COAST CAPABLE OF HANDLING POSSIBLE FOOD SHIPMENTS. CHRISTOPHER

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